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Mathias FIBI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1642  
Application No.: 08/897,441 ) Examiner: K. Canella  
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For: *Erythropoietin (EPO) Peptides and*  
*Antibodies Directed Against These* )

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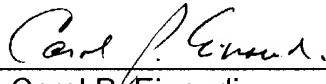
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